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Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects

Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

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I. Introduction

1. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 11 September 2000, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled "Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects" and to allocate it to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee).

2. The Fourth Committee considered the item at its 19th to 23rd and 28th meetings, from 8 to 10 November and on 6 December 2000, and held a general debate on the item at the 20th to 23rd meetings (see A/C.4/55/SR.19-23 and 28).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations (A/54/670);

(b) Report of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations (A/54/839);

(c) Identical letters dated 21 August 2000 from the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Security Council, transmitting the report of the Panel on United Nations Peace Operations (A/55/305-S/2000/809);

(d) Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the report of the Panel on United Nations Peace Operations (A/55/502);

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(e) Report of the Secretary-General on the resource requirements for implementation of the report of the Panel on United Nations Peace Operations (A/55/507 and Add.1);

(f) Letter dated 12 July 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Namibia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/55/138-S/2000/693).

4. At the 19th meeting, on 8 November, the Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations made a statement, which was followed by a dialogue between the Under-Secretary-General and members of the Fourth Committee (see A/C.4/55/SR.19).

5. At its 23rd meeting, on 10 November, the Fourth Committee suspended its consideration of the item pending the outcome of the deliberations of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations.

6. At the 28th meeting, on 6 December, the Chairman drew the attention of the members of the Fourth Committee to the report of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations (A/C.4/55/6).

7. At the same meeting, the representative of Egypt, in his capacity as Rapporteur of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, introduced the report of the Special Committee (A/C.4/55/6) (see A/C.4/55/SR.28).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.4/55/L.22

8. At the 28th meeting, on 6 December, the Chairman drew the attention of the Committee to a draft resolution entitled "Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects" (A/C.4/55/L.22), sponsored by Argentina, Canada, Egypt, Japan, Nigeria and Poland.

9. At the same meeting, the Secretary of the Committee made a statement (see A/C.4/55/SR.28).

10. Also at the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/55/L.22 without a vote (see para. 11).

III. Recommendation of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

11. The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2006 (XIX) of 18 February 1965 and all other relevant resolutions,

Recalling in particular its resolution 54/81 B of 25 May 2000,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization,[1] the report of the Panel on United Nations Peace Operations[2] and the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the report of the Panel,[3]

1. *Welcomes* the report of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations;[4]

2. *Endorses* the proposals, recommendations and conclusions of the Special Committee, contained in its report;

3. *Urges* Member States, the Secretariat and relevant organs of the United Nations to take all necessary steps to implement the proposals, recommendations and conclusions of the Special Committee;

4. *Decides* that the Special Committee, in accordance with its mandate, shall continue its efforts for a comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects and shall review the implementation of its previous proposals and consider any new proposals so as to enhance the capacity of the United Nations to fulfil its responsibilities in this field;

5. *Requests* the Special Committee to submit a report on its work to the General Assembly at its fifty-fifth session;

6. *Decides* to keep open during its fifty-fifth session the item entitled "Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects".

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[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 1* (A/55/1).

[2] See A/55/305-S/2000/809.

[3] A/55/502.

[4] A/C.4/55/6.